

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **H. 3197**

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TO:	The Honorable Joe E. Brown, Chairman, House Medical, Military, Public and Municipal Affairs Committee		
FROM:	Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board		
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SUBJECT:	Acupuncture Act; Registered Cardiovascular Invasive Specialist Act		

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

Minimal (Some additional costs expected but can be absorbed)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

A Cost of Federal and/or Other Funds (See Below)

BILL SUMMARY:

This Bill enacts the Acupuncture Act establishing the Acupuncture Advisory Committee, which is appointed by the Board of Medical Examiners, and establishing licensure procedures, regulations, fees, and penalties for acupuncturists, auricular therapists, and auricular detoxification therapists. It also enacts the Registered Cardiovascular Invasive Specialist Act establishing the procedures, services, and penalties associated with the practice of cardiovascular invasive specialists.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

The Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation

The Department estimates that implementing the provisions of this Bill related to acupuncture would require Other Fund expenditures totaling \$16,474. Costs include a .25 FTE, Administrative Assistant plus fringes at \$9,500 and \$6,974 other operating expenses. The proposed Bill does allow fees charged to be applied toward expenses incurred. However, based on the Department's estimate of 40 – 50 licenses, the fee revenue will not be sufficient to cover the estimated costs.

The Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation estimates that implementing the provisions of this Bill related to cardiovascular invasive specialists would require an Other Fund expenditure of \$5,000 in other operating to develop a database in the first year, and to provide printing and postage. Annual other operating costs for this activity will be approximately \$1,500.

The Administrative Law Court

The Agency reports this Bill will have a minimal impact to the General Fund that can be absorbed by the agency at its current level of funding, as they already have jurisdiction to hear injunctive matters and appeals from the professional licensing boards.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

The Board of Economic Advisors is the appropriate agency to address any revenue impact of this legislation.

Approved by:



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